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Dear Mr. Weisberg:

Excuse me for taking so bloody long to answer your letter of December 14. This strike is doing nothing for promptness or civility.

My examination of your offer was interrupted by a letter from Mark Lane aggressively threatening a libel suit because you had characterized him so succinctly.

An increasing problem for me every time I deal with any of the assassinations, or the assassination inquiries, is that I get immediately and hopelessly clobbered by one side or another.

To such a point that I have decided to get out of this, to volunteer nothing. I will try as best I can to report developments, but I am not going to stage debates.

I hope you understand.

Sincerely,

Ben Bradlee

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